#### **CITY BOARD OF ZONING APPEAL #2381**

**DATE:** January 13, 2005

**DATE SCHEDULED FOR PUBLIC HEARING:** January 28, 2005

**LOCATION:** Generally located at 31<sup>st</sup> and Cornhusker Highway.

**ADDRESS:** 3130 Cornhusker Highway.

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION:** See attached.

**APPLICANT:** Ray Mayhew

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**LOT AREA:** One acre, more or less.

**ZONING:** I-1, Industrial.

**EXISTING LAND USE:** Industrial use.

## **SURROUNDING LAND USE AND ZONING:**

North: Industrial uses I-1

South: Commercial H-3, Highway Commercial

East: Industrial and commercial I-1, H-3 West: Industrial and commercial I-1, H-3

#### **TYPE OF APPEAL:**

THIS APPEAL IS DIRECTED TO THE BOARD RELATIVE TO A VARIANCE.

Section 27.69.075(a), L.M.C. requires 150 feet of frontage to combine two pole signs into one for a single 150 square foot sign at 45 feet in height. A variance to reduce the minimum frontage requirement from 150 feet to 143 feet is requested.

## **STAFF FINDINGS:**

- 1. This is a request to reduce the minimum frontage requirement in order to combine two signs into a single larger and taller sign.
- 2. The applicant indicated that the property has 143 feet of frontage. The applicant indicated the additional area and height is necessary due to the speed at which

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traffic moves on Cornhusker Highway.

3. Lincoln Municipal Code indicates for the I-1 district:
(a) One on-premises pole sign or one on-premises ground sign per business per frontage is permitted. Such signs shall be spaced a minimum of fifty feet apart along any street frontage. In those instances where only a single business is conducted on the premises and the premises has a frontage along any one street of 150 feet or more, the business may have a maximum of two ground or pole signs as otherwise permitted in this section on any such frontage with a minimum spacing of 100 feet. If such sign is located in a required front yard, it shall not exceed fifty square

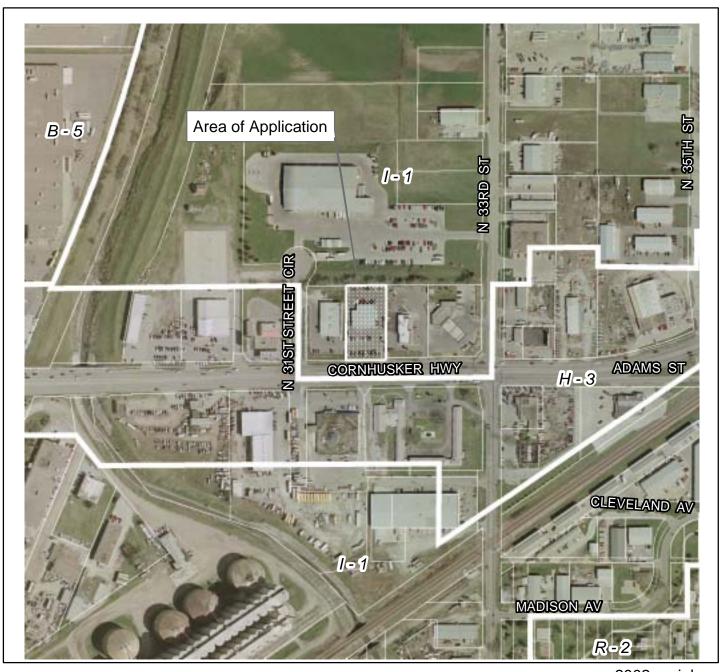
spacing of 100 feet. If such sign is located in a required front yard, it shall not exceed fifty square feet of area, and a pole sign shall have a maximum height of twenty-five feet. If such sign is located outside the required front yard, it may have a maximum area of 100 square feet and a maximum height of fifty feet. If such sign is a combination of the two signs of over 150 feet frontage, it may be increased to 150 square feet in area and forty-five feet in height; provided it is fifty feet from other premises; a ground sign shall have a maximum height of eight feet.

- 4. Several properties along this portion of Cornhusker Highway have less than 150 feet of frontage. This property is not unique compared to neighboring properties. To grant one property a variance would likely open the door to requests from neighboring properties.
- 5. The lot is similar to other lots in the area. The lot is rectangular in shape, as are most of the other lots in the area.
- 6. The Board of Zoning Appeals is empowered to grant variances "to the extent necessary to permit the owner a reasonable use of the land in those specified instances where there are peculiar, exceptional and unusual circumstances in connection with a specific parcel of land, which circumstances are not generally found within the locality or neighborhood concerned."
- 7. If this appeal were not granted, the owners could have one pole or ground sign as allowed by the sign code.

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# **Board of Zoning Appeals #2381** 3130 Cornhusker Hwy

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# **Zoning:**

R-1 to R-8Residential District AG

Agricultural District
Agricultural Residential District AGR R-C Residential Convervation District

0-1 Office District

0-2 Suburban Office District

O-3 Office Park District

R-T Residential Transition District B-1

Local Business District

Planned Neighborhood Business District B-2

Commercial District B-3

Lincoln Center Business District **B-4** 

B-5 Planned Regional Business District

H-1 Interstate Commercial District H-2 Highway Business District

H-3 Highway Commercial District

General Commercial District H-4 Industrial District I-1

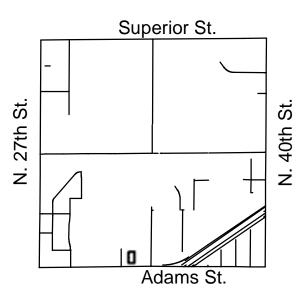
Industrial Park District **I-2** 

Employment Center District I-3

Public Use District m:\plan\arcview\04\_bza\bza2381 One Square Mile Sec. 7 T10N R7E







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